

MAYOR GIROD HOUSE

500 Chartres Street, New Orleans

This is one of the best examples of a large French Colonial town house in the country, illustrating the long-lived French architectural tradition in New Orleans. The two-story service wing was built in 1794, and the stuccoed-brick main block of 3 1/2 stories dates from 1814. It is distinguished by its delicate iron balconies and domed octagonal cupola. The house is privately owned, but visible from the street.